

AVI BIOPHARMA INC  
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**FORM 4**

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
IVERSEN PATRICK L

(Last) (First) (Middle)

ONE SW COLUMBIA, SUITE 1105

(Street)

PORTLAND, OR 97258

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
AVI BIOPHARMA INC [AVII]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
02/10/2009

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
Sr VP of Research & Development

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V Amount (D) Price			
Common Stock	02/10/2009		A	31,545 A \$ 0	86,303 <sup>(1)</sup>	D	
Common Stock					3,000	I	by Spouse
Common Stock					6,000	I	by Trust

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**  
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 0.92	02/10/2009		A	66,667	02/10/2010 <sup>(2)</sup> 02/10/2019	Common Stock
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 0.92	02/10/2009		A	33,333	02/10/2010 <sup>(2)</sup> 02/10/2019	Common Stock
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 1.39					02/28/2009 <sup>(2)</sup> 02/28/2018	Common Stock
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 2.53					02/22/2006 <sup>(2)</sup> 02/22/2015	Common Stock
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 3					02/06/2009 <sup>(2)</sup> 02/06/2017	Common Stock
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 5.35					12/05/2004 <sup>(2)</sup> 12/05/2012	Common Stock
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 5.75					01/03/2001 <sup>(2)</sup> 01/03/2010	Common Stock
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 7.35					02/16/2007 <sup>(2)</sup> 02/16/2016	Common Stock
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 1.39					02/28/2009 <sup>(2)</sup> 02/28/2018	Common Stock
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 3					02/06/2008 <sup>(2)</sup> 02/06/2017	Common Stock

